

**ABSTRACT**

A novel lower leg, ankle and foot immobilization brace in the form of a short length leg walker. The walker provides controlled, uniform compression of the foot, ankle and leg, while at the same time immobilizing the lower leg and foot. The immobilization walker has a shock  
5 absorbing sole, a rigid immobilization plate designed to prevent movement in a patient's ankle and foot, and a flexible boot portion designed to comfortably fit around the patient's foot and lower leg. The immobilization plate and a semi-flexible upper portion effectively immobilize the foot and ankle, while eliminating the need for a rigid boot portion. Two shock absorbing insoles, one of soft density and a one of medium density, allow a portion of the walker's sole to be  
10 located within the boot portion.